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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: BRIEFING OF NATO ON SOVIET DEMARCHES ON
FLAG TOURS

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1. UK REP TO BONN GROUP INFORMS US THAT FCO HAS
APPROVED BRIEFING OF NATO BUT BELIEVES THAT A SHORTER
TEXT (A DRAFT OF WHICH FCO HAS PREPARED) WOULD BE
PREFERABLE. THE QUAI STILL OPPOSES A NATO BRIEFING
BUT IS REPORTEDLY PREPARED TO AGREE IF OTHERS INSIST.
HOWEVER, THE QUAI ALSO WANTS A SHORTER BRIEFING.

2. NOW THAT PRESS INTEREST HAS APPARENTLY SUBSIDED
WITHOUT ATTRACTING MUCH INTEREST, IT APPEARS TO US
THAT THE NEED FOR A NATO BRIEFING IS LESS COMPELLING
BUT IS PRESUMABLY STILL DESIRABLE SINCE WE MAY SEEK
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NATO SUPPORT IF WE HAVE MORE SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITH
THE GDR OR USSR ON THIS MATTER. IF NATO IS TO BE
BRIEFED, HOWEVER, WE AGREE THAT THE PRIOR DRAFT,
WHICH WAS PREPARED WITH THE EXPECTATION OF MUCH MORE
EXTENSIVE PRESS PLAY, SHOULD BE SHORTENED.

3. A BONN GROUP MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR 2:30 P.M.

JUNE 1 AT WHICH TIME MATTER WILL BE DISCUSSED. ACTION
REQUESTED: URGENT GUIDANCE.
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